GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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GRANTS FOR TRIBAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the grants released for the Tribal areas of various states particularly in Uttarakhand during each of the last three years; and

(b) the number of proposals pending during the last 3 years of clearance?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH)

(a): The Ministry of Tribal Affairs implements various Central Sector/ Centrally Sponsored Schemes/ Programmes for the welfare and development of tribal people/ areas in the country, including the State of Uttarakhand. The schemes/ programmes of this Ministry are not Tribal area specific, as the funds are released to the Departments in charge of Tribal Welfare in the State/ Union Territory Governments who have to ensure that the benefits of these schemes / programmes reach the target groups/ areas. Details of funds released to various States/ Union Territories, including the State of Uttarakhand, under the schemes of this Ministry during the last three years (2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07) are given below:.

(Rs. in lakh)

Year	Funds released to States/ UTs	Funds released to Uttarakhand out of the funds released to States/ UTs
2004-05	02,557.08	412.68
2005-06	138,505.03	242.23
2006-07	157,028.95	1,178.22

(b): Receipt and sanction of the proposals from the State Governments/ Union Territory Administrations under the schemes of this Ministry is an on-going process. Funds under the schemes of the Ministry are released to the State/ UT Governments based on the percentage of ST population in the State/UT, the proposals submitted by them, fulfilment of the eligibility conditions of the relevant scheme, subject to the availability of funds and utilisation of the previously released funds.